

Answers points and distribution hands

- 1) no ! Surely 3Sp is enough and maybe too much in truth
- 2) well you might not make it but it seems a fair gamble.(if partner had only the Ace sp and K clubs then 10 tricks would be laydown –not too much to hope for ?)
- 3) no too feeble 4H was your bid – again *if* partner had some specific cards (Q Hrts and Ace diamonds) the n 4 H would be laydown
- 4) I think pass is right this time but it wouldn't surprise me if 10 tricks rolled in . If your tiple is rubber bridge or Chicago and if your opponents are known not to be doublers ...then 4H has a lot going for it. (In duplicate you really need to keep with the room and not make bids that will produce a hopeless result if they fail. So a pass is right for duplicate)
- 5) Too much I think . Could work but 3Sp is a better call as partner can go to 4Sp or not. Passing 2Sp is a worse effort though.
- 6) Trumping with the Q sp to attempt to effect a trump promotion would show you know your stuff at least.
If partner has as little as the J3 spades your ruff with the Q Sp will beat the contract. You see ? Declarer who would have the AK654 would overtrump your Q sp with the Ksp and in time your partner's J Sp will make.

Here is the spade layout you hope for

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J3-----|-----Q2
                AK654
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NB You had a lesson on this about 5 weeks ago. Time for a re read ?

- 7) 9 SP OR 9 CLUBS are the “correct” leads (and not wooden leads).
A normal 4th highest lead of the 2 Hrts from such a weak almost entryless hand is not going to work.

8) choices :

Double (penalty)2NT2D

None are wrong. If the opps were vulnerable and we weren't then double is your best (most profitable) call. Of 2NT or 2D I favour 2NT as being clear and unambiguous

- 9) In due course we will lead the 5 diamonds to the 10 diamonds for a winning finesse. You could do that at anytime but it makes sense to 1st establish the heart tricks so leading the K hrts at trick two is your first best move.